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Dear Professor Lederberg:

Thank you so much for your recent letter. I was sorry to learn, however, that you and members of your laboratory staff had not done very much work on attempting to accomplish transformation in Agrobacterium tumefaciens. Although we attempted repeatedly to confirm the studies of Klein and Klein, we have thus far experienced no success in this direction. Needless to say, I take a dim view of that work. However, the work that Dr. Klein attempted unsuccessfully to repeat in my laboratory was not concerned with transformation of bacterial cells but rather with the conversion of a normal plant cell to a crown-gall tumor cell.

In accord with your request I am sending you under separate cover some of our more general papers that are concerned with the biology of the crown-gall problem.

Thanking you again, I am

Sincerely yours,



Armin C. Braun.

Send ✓
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